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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 12, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.